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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN LEVEL 3: PRE-LICENSE END-USE CHECK

ON LICENSE 050143937

REF: 07 TEL AVIV 225

- 11. (U) This is an Action Request. See paragraphs 2 4.
- 12. (U) The Department's Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (PM/DTCC) requests Post's assistance in conducting a pre-license check on license 050143937 for the export of pistols to Israel. Post is requested to complete this Blue Lantern check within 30 days. Lack of response to a Blue Lantern check will affect pending and future licenses involving parties to this license.
- 13. (SBU) Reason for Request: Previous Blue Lantern demonstrated significant concern with the record keeping and control of defense articles demonstrated by end-user, Mitvach Ha'ir Ltd (REFTEL). The previous check also found inaccurate end-use information submitted on the license, as Mitvach Ha'ir was not/not listed as the end-user despite being the recipient of the defense articles in question. This request is for Post to establish the bona fides of this transaction and the entities involved.
- 14. (U) Action Request: Post is requested to establish the bona fides of this transaction and end-user by making appropriate inquiries to authorities of the Government of Israel and representatives of Mitvach Ha'ir. In its reply, Post is requested to comment on the security of Mitvach Ha'ir facilities and any other information pertinent to these transactions such as end-use and concerns about the entities involved.
- 15. (U) Details of license applications:

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OUANTITY/COMMODITY:

18 Glock M-19 Semi-Automatic Pistols, 9mm

32 Glock M-26 Semi-Automatic Pistols, 9mm

License Value: USD \$17,500

SELLER:

Lou's Police Distributors 7815 West 4 Avenue Hialeah, FL 33014

FOREIGN END-USER:

Mitvach Ha'ir Ltd 53, Hertzel Street PO Box 3245 Netanya, Israel Tel: 972-9-8611122

PURPOSE:

For commercial resale in Israel

16. (U) Submitted in support of the license application were the following documents (PM/DTCC will fax documentation to Posts upon request):

DSP-83 signed by Linda Riccobono (Lou's Police Distributors) dated 01/26/2009 and Avi Rubin (Mitvach Ha'ir) dated 01/22/2009

Import License Letter issued by the Ministry of Industry Trade and Labor signed by Jacob Malloul dated 11/20/2008

Purchase Order issued by Mitvach Ha'ir signed by Avi Rubin dated 01/22/2009

17. (U) Please slug reply for PM/DTCC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR and include the words "Blue Lantern" and the case number in the subject line. POC is Kyle M. Ballard, Phone: 202-663-1929; Email: BallardKM@state.gov; SIPRNET: BallardKM@state.sgov.gov. The Blue Lantern Guidebook (ref) is available as a PDF file in the Bunche Library's E-Book Collection on the DOS Intranet: http://virtuallibrary.state.gov/BlueLanternGuidebook2006%2520 final .pdf

 $\P 8$. (U) Department is grateful for Post's assistance in this matter. CLINTON